

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 6, 8, 9, 14-22, 36-44, and 64-75 were presented for examination and were rejected.

The applicant respectfully traverses the rejections and requests reconsideration in light of the following comments.

35 U.S.C. 102 Rejection of Claims 1-3, 6, 8, 9, 14-22, 36-44, and 64-75

Claims 1-3, 6, 8, 9, 14-22, 36-44, and 64-75 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by W. G. Phillips, U.S. Patent 6,748,195 (hereinafter "Phillips"). The applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claim 1 recites:

1. A method comprising:
receiving at a mobile telecommunications terminal a command that reads the value of a datum; and
determining whether to execute said command based on the geo-location of said mobile telecommunications terminal and on said value.
(emphasis supplied)

Nowhere does Phillips teach or suggest, alone or in combination with the other references, what claim 1 recites – namely receiving at a mobile terminal a command to read the value of a datum (e.g., John Smith's account balance, etc.), and determining whether to execute the command based on the terminal's geo-location and on the datum's value. The present invention as recited in claim 1 is advantageous in that it can be used, for example, to prevent a user from accessing John Smith's account balance from his or her mobile terminal unless the terminal is located inside the bank and the account balance is less than one million dollars. While Phillips does teach a terminal whose behavior is dependent on geo-location, Phillips mentions nothing about commands for reading a datum, let alone determining whether to execute such a command based on the datum's value.

For this reason, the applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of claim 1 is traversed.

Because claims 2, 3, 6, 8, and 9 depend on claim 1, the applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of them is also traversed.

Claim 14 recites:

14. A method comprising:
receiving at a mobile telecommunications terminal a request to access content; and
determining a version of said content to access based on the geo-location of said mobile telecommunications terminal.
(emphasis supplied)

Nowhere does Phillips teach or suggest, alone or in combination with the other references, what claim 14 recites – namely receiving a request from a mobile terminal to access content, and determining what version of the content to transmit to the terminal based on the terminal's geo-location. The present invention is advantageous in that it can be used, for example, to provide a user with an edited version of a video clip when the user is in a church, and an unedited version of the video clip when the user is at home. Phillips, in contrast, does not mention anything about versions of content anywhere in the patent, including the passages cited by the Office.

For this reason, the applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of claim 14 is traversed.

Because claims 15 through 22 depend on claim 14, the applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of them is also traversed.

Claim 36 recites:

36. A method comprising:
transmitting from a mobile telecommunications terminal a request to access remote content; and
receiving at said mobile telecommunications terminal a version of said remote content that is based on the geo-location of said mobile telecommunications terminal.
(emphasis supplied)

For the same reason as for claim 14, the applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of claim 36 is traversed.

Because claims 37 through 44 depend on claim 36, the applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of them is also traversed.

Claim 64 recites:

64. A method comprising:
receiving at a mobile telecommunications terminal a command that updates the value of a datum; and
determining whether to execute said command based on the geo-location of said mobile telecommunications terminal and on said value prior to updating.
(emphasis supplied)

For the same reason as for claim 1, the applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of claim 64 is traversed.

Because claims 65 through 70 depend on claim 64, the applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of them is also traversed.

Claim 71 recites:

71. A method comprising:
receiving at a mobile telecommunications terminal a command that reads the value of a datum; and
determining whether to execute said command based on the geo-location of said mobile telecommunications terminal and on the geo-location at which said value is stored.
(emphasis supplied)

Nowhere does Phillips teach or suggest, alone or in combination with the other references, what claim 71 recites – namely receiving at a mobile terminal a command to read the value of a datum, and determining whether to execute the command based on the terminal's geo-location and on the geo-location at which the datum's value is stored. The present invention is advantageous in that it can be used, for example, to allow an employee at the San Francisco branch of XYZ Corp. to access data stored at the XYZ consumer division branch in New York, but to prevent the user from accessing any data stored at the XYZ defense systems division in Virginia. Applicant respectfully notes that the Office never asserts in its rejection of claim 71 that McDonnell in fact teaches this important feature of the present invention.

For these reasons, the applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of claim 71 is traversed.

Because claims 72 through 75 depend on claim 71, the applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of them is also traversed.

Request for Reconsideration Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Having responded to each and every ground for objection and rejection in the last Office action, applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the instant application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.111 and request that the Examiner allow all of the pending claims and pass the application to issue.

If there are remaining issues, the applicants respectfully request that Examiner telephone the applicants' attorney so that those issues can be resolved as quickly as possible.

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